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SUBJECT: RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA TREATMENT FOR LEONARD
FLANDER (SENATOR KENNEDY INTEREST)

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1. EMBASSY RECEIVED NOTE FROM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS DATED AUGUST 30, 1978 AUTHORIZING A MEDICAL
CONSULTATION FOR LEONARD FLANDER AT THE HELMHOLTZ
INSTITUTE. NOTE POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT UNDER REGISTRY
NUMBER 1911888. INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS.

2. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE SOVIET
UNION REFERRING TO THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY'S
LETTER OF JULY 5 TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH REQUESTING
HELP IN ARRANGING FOR TREATMENT OF US CITIZEN LEONARD
M. FLANDER, STATES THAT MR. FLANDER'S MEDICAL RECORDS

WERE EXAMINED BY THE SPECIALISTS OF THE MOSCOW
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR EYE DISEASES NAMED
AFTER HELMHOLTZ OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF THE RSFSR.

THEIR CONCLUSION IS THAT A CONSULTATION AT THE INSTITUTE
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CAN BE ARRANGED FOR MR. FLANDER, AND, IF IT IS
INDICATED, OUT-PATIENT TREATMENT.

THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF THE USSR HAS NO OBJECTION TO
ARRANGING A CONSULTATION FOR MR. FLANDER AT THE ABOVE-
MENTIONED INSTITUTE, AND IF IT IS INDICATED, OUT
PATIENT TREATMENT. THERE IS NO COST FOR THIS TREATMENT.

SHOULD MR. FLANDER DECIDE TO COME TO MOSCOW, IT SHOULD BE CALLED TO HIS ATTENTION THAT THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF THE USSR CANNOT TAKE UPON ITSELF ANY EXPENSES CONNECTED WITH MR. FLANDER'S ROUND-TRIP FARE, BEING MET AT THE AIRPORT, HOTEL STAY, INTERPRETER SERVICES, ETC. MR. FLANDER SHOULD POSSESS A ROUND-TRIP TICKET WHEN HE ARRIVES IN THE USSR.

UPON HIS ARRIVAL, MR. FLANDER SHOULD REPORT TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF THE USSR, RAKHMANOVSKIY PEREULOK #3, ROOM 528, TELEPHONE NUMBER 225-26-78.

3. PLEASE INFORM MR. FLANDER AND INTERESTED CONGRESSMAN'S OFFICE. TOON

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